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Group Art Unit: 2837

Examiner: Mr. David S. Warren

In Re PATENT APPLICATION OF

Applicant(s) : Norbert NICOLAI et al.

Appln. No. : 10/049,344

Filed : February 11, 2002

Conf. No. : 9936

For : A SOUND-ABSORBING ARTICLE
EFFECTIVE OVER A BROAD
FREQUENCY RANGE (As amended)

Atty. Dkt. : 37998-177952

**NOTICE
OF
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April 12, 2004

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Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board Of Patent Appeals And Interferences from the decision of November 12, 2003 of the Primary Examiner, Mr. David S. Warren finally rejecting claims 16 and 18-34. Accompanying this Notice of Appeal is the appeal fee of \$330.

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

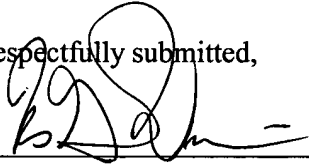
Applicants request a three-month extension of time. However, since a first extension of \$110 has already been paid (March 12, 2004), a fee in the amount of \$840 is believed due for the extension. Authorization is hereby given to charge our Deposit Account No. 22-0261 in the amount of \$1,170 (Appeal fee \$330 and Extension of time fee \$840).

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Also, please charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No.
22-0261 and advise us accordingly.

Respectfully submitted,



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